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The Honorable Robert C. Hill
Assistant Secretary of Defense
(International Security Affairs)
Department of Defense
Washington, D. C. 20301

Dear Mr. Hill:

Reference is made to your memorandum of 20 September 1973, subject: Air America and Air Asia Corporation; your number 1-25148/73. Your memorandum requested information regarding the Air America study completed by R. Dixon Speas Associates.

Apparently our letters crossed in the mail, but on 20 September I sent to Mr. Dennis Doolin, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, East Asia and Pacific Affairs, a letter regarding the proposed divestiture of Air America and information you requested from the R. Dixon Speas report.

The situation regarding divestiture of the Air America complex remains substantially the same as it was at the time of our meeting with Mr. Doolin on 30 August. We anticipate no additional information concerning the proposed sale until after a deadline for bids on the assets which is 15 October 1973. Once bids are received and we have had time to analyze them, a representative of this office will undoubtedly be in touch with your Office.

Sincerely,

/s/ Harold L. Brownman

Harold L. Brownman
Deputy Director
for

Management and Services

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**SUBJECT: Proposed Sale of Air America
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Mr. Dennis J. Doolin
Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense
East Asia and Pacific Affairs
Department of Defense
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Doolin:

Reference is made to our discussion on the proposed sale of Air America at our meeting of 30 August 1973. At that time you indicated an interest in obtaining information on the property to be disposed of under the sale. In response to your request I am forwarding herewith the information you requested. This information is from the R. Dixon Speas Report discussed at the meeting. I hope this will be beneficial and if you have any additional questions after reviewing this information, please feel free to contact me or [redacted] of this office. [redacted] telephone number is [redacted]

During the meeting there was some discussion concerning the role of our Consultant, [redacted]. Perhaps [redacted] position should be clarified. [redacted] is a Consultant to the Agency and has been retained to furnish us advice and guidance on the assets of the Company. [redacted] serves strictly as an advisor and has no contact with any potential bidders or Company officials, other than in the company of an Agency official and as an advisor to him. While [redacted] did accompany the bidders during their visit to the Far East, he was there in the capacity of advisor to [redacted], who was responsible for dealing with the bidders and Company officials.

Sincerely,

Harold L. Brownman
Deputy Director
for
Management and Services

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